Activities to Teach Signer's Perspective in ASL

1. Object Placement Challenge

Place real objects around the room. Students describe the layout using ASL from their own perspective. Classmates draw or recreate the setup based on what was signed.

2. Back-to-Back Drawing

Pairs sit back-to-back. One signs a description while the other draws it. No speaking allowed. Emphasizes left/right orientation from the signer's view.

3. Human Scene Setup

Students act as objects/people. One student gives directions using ASL, and others position themselves accordingly. Class discusses what was signed vs. what was seen.

4. Record & Reflect

Students record themselves signing a spatial scene, then watch and evaluate accuracy of spatial references and perspective.

5. Puzzle Partner

One student describes a layout using ASL; their partner recreates it with puzzle pieces or props. Compare results and correct errors.

6. Giving Directions Game

Students give signed directions from one school location to another. Others follow the route literally. Reinforces directional accuracy.

7. Mirror Check

Students sign while looking in a mirror to observe how their signs appear. Helps reinforce correct left/right orientation.

8. Role Reversal: You Be the Viewer

The student signs, then a viewer describes what they saw. This tests both parties' understanding of

perspective.

9. LEGO or Block Builds

One student builds a simple block structure and describes it using ASL. Class recreates it based on the description.

10. 'Map It' Floor Plan Activity

Students describe a classroom or house layout from where they are standing. Others identify items based on signer's view.